

Ryan never heard of the matter. Neither I nor any one else spoke to him on the subject of the effort of the Wilson promoters to revive it and bring it to the front is simply an unprincipled attempt to divert the public attention from the fact that Governor Wilson has been rattling around as a hero because of his indignant rejection of Ryan, the truth being that Ryan was never pressed upon him at all.

Gravelled at feet of Colonel Harvey. "His courageous repudiation of Harvey, which has put such a feather in his cap, was a piece with this. While Governor Wilson was receiving popular applause because of his sacrifice of private friendship to public duty, he was growing at a distance, very far from the humiliated and heartless treatment he admitted to be bested upon Harvey at the Manhattan Club. If he had a spark of honorable sensibility, he will at once demand and require the publication of the article in which he was made to understand and realize that he must square the account of ingratitude or take the consequences.

"Meanwhile, let me say that whilst the Governor's tardy repentance may be of some use, the effort of Colonel Harvey to bring it to the front is simply an unprincipled attempt to divert the public attention from the fact that Governor Wilson has been rattling around as a hero because of his indignant rejection of Ryan, the truth being that Ryan was never pressed upon him at all.

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This week our Clearance Sale will warm every man to our figures.

Buying now you save from \$5.25 to \$15 on Overcoats.

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On Suits, a \$30 Suit for \$22.75 or a \$15 Suit for \$9.75.

Other Suits with same liberal cut.

Boys' Clothing—some Suits nearly half off the former prices.

By these prices we thoroughly clean house and give you all new goods at the opening of each season.

And our patrons greatly profit by them.

The Trousers Sale

Started Saturday.

W. H. Berry

METAL REVISION BILL IS PASSED

Washington, January 29.—The Democratic tariff revision, to make reductions averaging 35 per cent. from the existing steel and iron duties of the Payne-Aldrich law, passed the House to-day by a vote of 210 to 199.

Republican efforts to amend or debate the bill were brought to a sudden end when Democratic Leader Underwood refused to permit the offering of further amendments and forced the House to a vote upon the final passage of the measure.

What the Parks Need.

Improvements desired by the City Engineer's Department in the city parks for the coming year will cost \$153,500, according to estimates furnished the Committee on Finance by City Engineer Bolling last night.

The estimate takes up each park in turn, providing for grading, walkways, granite curbs, and all manner of incidentals, even to the case of Monroe Park providing feed for the deer.

Improvements are proposed at William Byrd Park, including completion of driveway around the new Shild Grove annex, the estimate for the park being \$12,500.

For Joseph Bryan Park Mr. Bolling asks \$1,500 to build a fence, memorial gate, and gravel road, provide drainage and granite walkways.

An appropriation of \$3,500 is asked for playgrounds. The payroll of park-keepers aggregates \$15,350.

One Cent Goes Back to Treasury.

The Council Committee on Advertising held a brief meeting last night, settling its accounts with the City of Richmond.

The committee debated the various purchases that might be made with the funds in hand, but concluded that were the Council more apt to liberally with appropriations for the coming year.

Virginia-Carolina Dividend.

The Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company announced yesterday that pursuant to a resolution adopted by the board of July 1, 1911, the second installment of 10 per cent. on the dividend of 3 per cent., then declared February 10 to all common stockholders of record at the close of business on February 1, 1912.

THE WEATHER.

Forecast for Virginia—Cloudy Tuesday, colder by rain in early morning; Wednesday fair; moderate north and northwest winds; moderate north and northwest winds; moderate north and northwest winds.

Special Local Data for Yesterday.

12 noon temperature 32°; 3 P. M. temperature up to 38°; Minimum temperature up to 32°; Mean temperature 32°; Normal temperature 32°; Deficiency in temperature 10°; Deficiency in temperature since March 1 376°; Accum. deficiency in temperature 1.61°; Rainfall last twenty-four hours .264; Deficiency in rainfall for March .001; Deficiency in rainfall since January 1 6.38°; Local observation S. P. M. 1912; Temperature 32°; Wind direction N. W.; Wind-velocity 109; Rainfall last twelve hours .66.

PLACES IN IMPORTANT CITIES.

(A. B. M. Eastern Standard Time.)

Asheville 46 50 36 Rain; Atlanta 46 50 36 Rain; Boston 46 50 36 Rain; Buffalo 46 50 36 Rain; Charleston 46 50 36 Rain; Chicago 46 50 36 Rain; Denver 46 50 36 Rain; Galveston 46 50 36 Rain; Havana 46 50 36 Rain; Kansas City 46 50 36 Rain; Louisville 46 50 36 Rain; Montgomery 46 50 36 Rain; New York 46 50 36 Rain; Norfolk 46 50 36 Rain; Pittsburgh 46 50 36 Rain; Raleigh 46 50 36 Rain; St. Louis 46 50 36 Rain; San Francisco 46 50 36 Rain; Savannah 46 50 36 Rain; Spokane 46 50 36 Rain; Washington 46 50 36 Rain; Winchester 46 50 36 Rain; Wytheville 46 50 36 Rain.

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EMPLOY CONVICTS ON PUBLIC ROADS

(Continued from first page.)

from the passage of the Lusitonia.

Withers act. At that time Major Morgan

opposed the proposition as the

superintendent of the penitentiary,

but co-operated heartily and

within a year recommended an extension

because it was in the line of

penal reform.

He rejected the time had long

since passed when the State hired convicts

to work on railroads, to die and

be buried along the right of way, and

said the time had come to abolish the

system of convict labor.

A Virginia maintains her penitentiary

on a system of convict labor, he

said, which is an economic mistake.

The prison would perhaps bring \$200,000.

Besides, with its removal the taxable

value of surrounding property

would be increased to an estimated

amount of \$1,000,000, bringing in more

taxes to the State. The prisoners

are being kept in the jails in idleness,

"attending a primary school for

graftation to the penitentiary later."

The \$219,000 now paid in jail fees

would be used to build roads with convicts.

Average Terms Short.

Although there are fifty-five life-term

men now in the prison, the average

term is only five years and four

months, and less than the life term

with their expectancy, the average is

only three years and three months.

Therefore the talk of long-term men

was largely a bugaboo. The bulk of

the convicts are in prison for lesser

felonies.

As to the argument that the Constitution

requires a penitentiary, he said

it did not have to be kept in an expensive

plant, but could be removed to the

State Farm. He wanted to see 3,000

men on the roads.

Allan D. Jones of Newport News

spoke in behalf of the Lesner bill.

Rev. Morris S. Eagle spoke of the

uplift side of the problem. He said it

was unjust to tax the laboring man

and then sell convict labor to break

his head with.

Another earnest speaker for abolition

of contracts was Rev. Landon R. Mason

D. D., who scouted the idea that men

learn valuable trades in the prison

under the present system.

Opposes Lime Grading.

Senator Blackburn Smith talked of

lime grading, a \$3,000,000 project

invested in these industries employ

ing 2,000 men. He thought it would

be unconstitutional to employ men on

work of internal improvements ex-

tra roads.

"The use of ground limestone, any

farmer will tell you," he said, "is

in its experimental stage." Senator

Gravatt asked him if the plants he

spoke of were making lime, and, if

so, what they were doing with it.

Smith replied that it was

being sold for experimental purposes.

He said if the committee were going

to report the Lesner bill, it would be

unnecessary for his people to appear

against the lime-grinding bill, but

proposition was brought up.

Senator Folkes said that if the Lesner

bill passes, by the time the time

Legislature meets it will have been in

operation only eight months, since the

hatch contract does not expire until

May 1, 1913. "This Senate is elected

for the next session," he said, "and

while some may die, none will resign.

"Then we can judge the effects." This

was the first time in his six years of

experience, he said, when another

chance to deal with convict labor

was offered. He said he hoped this

committee would do its duty. He submitted

the case for the advocates of the bill.

Convict Labor Cheaper.

The committee asked State High-

way Commissioner Wilson to speak.

He told of the much lower

convict labor than of free labor on

the roads. Contractors had told him

they would prefer convicts at the \$1

a day the State charges them to free

HERE IS A barrel of fun

You'll get a big bunch of laughs out of the jolly coon songs, the bright minstrel jokes, the humorous specialties, and all the other varieties of fun, on the Victor.

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Terms to suit

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T. J. Davis, of the State Prison Farm,

who answered a few questions about

the safety of convicts, they will escape

unless watched, he said.

Senator Saxon W. Holt was much in-

terested in the proposition that the

directors of the penitentiary had not

complied with the provision in the last

general appropriation bill, requiring

them to deposit money received from

the sale of farm products in the State

Treasurer, but he was not sure of the

board did not know of the presence

of this clause in the law until the

last year had nearly ended.

The House most followed, and the

committee rose. The subcommittee

will be appointed later.

What Harbor Improvements Will Cost.

For maintenance of the city's harbor im-

provement work during the coming year

City Engineer Bolling last night asked

of the Finance Committee appropriations

amounting to \$47,575.30. This includes payroll